

Weekly Construction Update

Aug 25 – Aug 29, 2014



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What's New on Site this Week?

Exterior

- Aurora Ave: Underground utility work Aug. 20-29 will take up two public disability parking spaces.
- East side scaffolding being moved to west side of building.

Interior

- West elevator access is open from Ground through 3rd Floors only effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1. To reach Ground Floor from the Basement tunnel, please use the Rathskeller stairs.

Continuing Activities

Exterior

- North Wing: Marble repair and restoration continues. Window repair and restoration on west façade.
- West Wing: Marble and window repair and restoration continues.
- East Wing: Workers are blending the old and new marble.
- Roof demolition at the Quadriga level and East Wing.

Interior

- Demolition activities continue.
- Temporary protective wall construction continues.
- Basement: Concrete slab removal and foundation underpinning continues. Miscellaneous asbestos removal continues. Mechanical, electrical, plumbing installation continues.

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Anticipated Noise and Disturbances

Exterior

- Expect noise, vibration, and workers in view wherever there is scaffolding.

Interior

- Paint stripping windows at night. Odors may still linger in mornings.
- Vibration and noise levels will increase throughout the building.

Looking Ahead – Three Weeks Out

Exterior

- Main roof repair continues.
- Flag poles removed from roof, official flags in Court of Honor.

Interior

- Construction activity accelerates, especially for roofing and demolition.
- Basement: Mechanical, electrical and plumbing (MEP) underslab installation will continue. Underpinning and slab removal continues.

Featured Notice

First area of marble restoration is complete! NE section of Capitol façade is repaired, restored, cleaned, and scaffolding removed. Brilliant white marble awaits you!

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Room 318 in the east wing after demolition.



Underground infrastructure work takes place in Lot O.

Questions or Comments?

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To browse planning and communications documents about this project visit the [Minnesota State Capitol Preservation Commission website](#).

Getting Around The Capitol

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What to Expect

The Capitol is an active construction site and your safety is our number one priority. Please stay within the designated public areas.

Interior

- Expect to see temporary walls where construction is present.
- Expect construction workers and machinery, noise and vibration.
- The basement tunnel has temporary corridors that will slightly reconfigure day-to-day to accommodate work areas. Signage will guide you through the corridors.
- An audio recording helps blind and low-vision visitors navigate the Capitol tunnel as they enter the Capitol basement from the State Office Building.

Exterior

- Expect scaffolding, machinery, noise, workers and closed sidewalks.

What's Open

- Entrances: South Main Entrance and the accessible Ground Floor Entrance under the South Main Entrance stairs, Basement tunnel.
- West Wing: 2nd, 3rd floors
- North Wing
- Basement tunnel (and Rathskeller Café during legislative session)
- West elevator access adjacent to South Main Entrance is open from Ground through 3rd Floors only effective Aug. 29 – Nov. 1. To reach Ground Floor from the Basement tunnel, please use the Rathskeller stairs.

What's Closed

- Entrances: East Wing, West Wing, University Ave (north side of building).
- Rotunda
- East Wing: All floors
- West Wing: Ground, 1st Floors
- Quadriga
- NE circular stairs closed to the public, except for emergencies.
- Basement except for tunnel (and Rathskeller Café during legislative session)
- East elevator

Learn the latest about parking, accessibility, news, and FAQs. Visit the [Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project website](#).